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Executive Secretary  
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The Director of Central Intelligence  
Washington, D.C. 20505

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15 April 1985

National Intelligence Council

MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Secretary

FROM: Herbert E. Meyer  
Vice Chairman, National Intelligence Council

SUBJECT: Draft of Secretary of State Speech on  
Southern Africa

REFERENCE: Memo for Multiple Addressees from ES/State,  
dtd 13 Apr 85, Subject: Speech on Africa

1. We have reviewed the speech and note only one problem. The characterization of RENAMO, the Mozambican insurgent movement, as "a loose coalition of old Portuguese colonial interests, South African- and Rhodesian-trained guerrillas, and disaffected ex-members of Machel's own party" (page 20 of draft) prejudices an issue currently under study in a forthcoming SNIE on Mozambique. The State characterization, in our view, is subjectively biased against RENAMO and does not reflect the fact that RENAMO has indigenous support and membership, especially from the Central Mozambique Ndau and Manyika tribes. State's characterization will infuriate US sympathizers of RENAMO (as well as RENAMO), and open the Department to charges of inaccuracy.

2. Attached is proposed alternative language on RENAMO. We also have added a suggested concluding point on the progressive nature of private enterprise and capitalism, a point which could be used effectively to tag the ringleaders of the disinvestment campaign as anti-capitalists.

3. The criticism of the Clark Amendment on page 19 is particularly welcome and we hope it makes it through the draft stage.

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Herbert E. Meyer

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15 April 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR: Nicholas Platt  
Executive Secretary  
Department of State

SUBJECT : Draft Speech on Africa

REFERENCE : Your Memorandum of 13 April, Same Subject

1. We appreciated the opportunity to review this draft. I hope that you will find the few comments we have to be helpful.

2. We particularly welcome the analysis of the Clark Amendment found on page 19. We would suggest, however, that the last sentence of the first paragraph be changed to read as follows:

"....Since 1975, UNITA has waged an armed struggle in the countryside against the regime's monopoly of power, [and] has steadily grown in strength and territorial control, and is a factor which must be taken into account in the ultimate solution to the Angolan/Namibian problem."

3. We do not believe that the characterization of RENAMO on page 20 is accurate. RENAMO's expansion from an armed force of some 2,000 in 1980 to its current 12-15,000 active throughout Mozambique belies its description in the draft as little more than a coalition of old colonial interests, FRELIMO defectors, South African and Rhodesian recruited mercenaries. On sheer numbers alone this characterization is incomplete. In addition, we believe RENAMO also has a tribal base among the Ndaou and Manyika tribes of central Mozambique who are excluded from the FRELIMO leadership. We propose revising this sentence to read as follows:

"RENAMO--a coalition of disaffected indigenous elements with a leadership somewhat tainted by a history of external support and without any visible coherent political organization or platform--is fighting against the Machel government."

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4. We also propose an addition (on pages 24-25) to the section on what Americans can agree on:

"Fifth, we believe that private enterprise and capitalism is not only compatible with social progress but can also be an engine of sociopolitical development."

This point correctly suggests that some of those arguing for disinvestment are anti-capitalist in ideology and outside mainstream American thought.



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